Minutes Prescription Work Group March 12th, 2008

Present: Vicki Mills, Tom Werner, Heather Kirby, Brittany Tritapoe, Kim Vander Weyden, Katherine Murray, Bryan Scott, Todd Johnson and Melinda Malott

I Status of Activities

- A. Medication Resource List reformatting Katherine, Todd, Heather and Melinda will meet March 28 from 9:00 10:00 to finalize the details regarding the format, distribution and regular review of the documents and will bring information back to the next scheduled meeting. Katherine will notify the group at a later date of the location.
- B. Pilot Project The hospital based Medbank pilot project has been in existence since January 08. The average number of referrals per week is five; of those patients less than 25% were eligible. Jim William, Mike Sprurrier, Bonnie Bramwell, Heather Kirby and Tom Warner will be Friday, March 14 to discuss the future of the pilot project. It is noted that PAC and MA have a relaxed ruled so that patients who are presumptively eligible for their programs can get medications from Medbank while waiting on their approval. Everyone agreed that the project is in infancy stages and there is more PR to be done, the group brainstormed ideas to increase referrals throughout FMH. One recent improvement to the project is that Bonne Bramwell will get a daily list of self-pay patients so she can follow up with these individuals on site at FMH.
- C. <u>Sample Medications</u> The group concluded that it is not practical or feasible to route samples throughout the community.
- D. <u>Legislative Update</u> No new information
- E. <u>Executive Committee/Subgroups</u> The Executive committee will meet March 17th, 2008 to specifically to discuss the bylaws regarding the length of the term of service on the committee. A proposal will be put forth to recommend staggered terms to prevent a mass exodus of members at one time. There will be a recommendation for the individual subcommittees to hold their officer elections after the July meeting.
- F. <u>Meeting Frequency</u> It was decided our agendas will be full for the next several months and the group should continue to meet monthly. Melinda suggested keeping this item on the agenda to review periodically.

II Announcements

- A. <u>New Consumer Information</u> Kim and Diane shared a resource with the group it is a Medicaid insurance product for employed individuals with disabilities. The contact person for application is Mike <u>Dalto@4435155922</u>.
- B. <u>Frederick Community Action Agency</u> is publishing a primary care resource guide; Todd Johnson distributed templates to be used as a tool for submitting information for the resource guide.

Next Meeting: April 9, 2008 second floor FMH 4-5:30